DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

744 P Street, Sacramento, CA 95814

August 1, 1986



ALL-COUNTY LETTER NO. 86-71

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: GRIMESY v. McMAHON

REFERENCE: ACIN. NO. 1-58-86

ELIGIBILITY AND ASSISTANCE STANDARDS (EAS) SECTION 44-133.7

On June 24, 1986, the United States District Court for the Northern District of California issued an order in the case of <u>Grimesy v. McMahon</u>. The order enjoins the Department from enforcing the above-cited regulation. This regulation requires the deeming of senior parent income to 18-year-old minor parents who do not meet the school attendance requirement of Section 42-101.2. It was recommended in AGIN No. I-58-86 that counties identify affected cases.

The purpose of this letter is to provide you with specific instructions and materials necessary to implement the terms of the <u>Grimesy Order</u>. The counties must identify and restore benefits, as otherwise eligible, to all cases in which aid has been reduced, denied, terminated, granted at a reduced amount, or where an overpayment is being recouped, due to the effect of the challenged regulation cited above.

In addition to the detailed implementing instructions, which are the same as those provided you in ACIN No. I-58-86, the following implementation materials are attached:

- 1. A reproducible copy of the Notices of Action in English (Spanish version to come on approximately August 15, 1986).
- 2. Instructions on completing Notices of Action.
- Compliance Reporting Forms.

If you have any questions regarding the Implementing Instructions or Notices of Action, please contact Jim Mullany of the AFDC/FS Policy Implementation Bureau at $(916)\ 324-2661$.

ROBERT A. HOREL Deputy Director

Attachment

IMPLEMENTING INSTRUCTIONS (Grimesy v. McMahon)

- 1. Cases affected by the Grimesy Order are:
 - (a) All families whose AFDC grant has been or would be reduced or terminated on or after June 30, 1986 because of the deeming of senior parent income to the assistance unit of an 18-year-old minor parent who does not meet the school attendance requirement (EAS Section 44-133.7 and 42-101.2);
 - (b) All families whose AFDC application has been or would be denied or granted at a reduced amount on or after June 24, 1986 because of the deeming of senior parent income to the assistance unit of an 18-year-old minor parent who does not meet the school attendance requirement (EAS Section 44-133.7 and 42-101.1);
 - (c) All families who are having an overpayment recouped by grant adjustment on or after July 1, 1986 or by demand for repayment on or after June 24, 1986, when the overpayment was caused by failure to deem senior parent income to the assistance unit of an 18-year-old minor parent who did not meet the school attendance requirement (EAS Section 44-133.7 and 42-101.1).
- 2. Counties must, on a prospective basis, immediately cease the deeming of senior parent income to the assistance units of 18-year-old minor parents who do not meet the school attendance requirements as currently set forth in EAS Section 44-133.7 and 42-101.2. Counties can no longer require 18-year-old minor parents not meeting school attendance requirements to submit a CA 73. Therefore, counties must discontinue sending CA 73 forms to cases affected by this lawsuit.
- 3. For families whose AFDC grant has been reduced or terminated on or after June 30, 1986 and for families whose applications were denied or approved at a reduced amount on or after June 24, 1986, counties must take the following actions immediately:
 - (i) Identify affected cases;
 - (ii) Review the case record to determine eligibility under this court order;
 - (iii) Restore benefits to the amount to which they would otherwise have been entitled had senior parent income deeming not occurred (EAS Section 44-133.7 and 42-101.2);
 - (iv) Send an appropriate Notice of Action.

- 4. Counties must immediately cease all recoupment activity for overpayments caused by failing to deem senior parent income to an 18-year-old minor parent who did not meet school attendance requirements. Any amounts recouped by repayment after June 24, 1986 or by grant adjustment after June 30, 1986 must be immediately refunded to the assistance unit.
- 5. Federal financial participation is available if the case is otherwise federally eligible.
- 6. The <u>Grimesy</u> Order applies to the Refugee Cash Assistance Program (RCA), the Entrant Cash Assistance Program (ECA), and the Refugee Demonstration Project (RDP).
- 7. Complete the attached compliance reporting form and submit it to DSS on or before September 15, 1986. Please submit the completed form to:

Department of Social Services AFDC/FS Policy Implementation Bureau 744 P Street, M.S. 16-31 Sacramento, CA 95814 Attention: Jim Mullany State of California Health and Welfare Agency

Notice of Action

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If you have questions or want more information about this action, please contact your worker.

Case Name Case Number Worker Phone Date

Description of the Action, Amount, Reason(s), Comments. Effective ______, the following action is being taken: The county is changing your monthly cash aid amount from\$______ to \$_____. Here's why: A new court order says as of July 1, 1986 we can count only the amount of money your parents give you and what they pay for your food, housing, and utilities. When we don't count your parents' income, your income goes down and your cash aid amount goes up. Your new cash aid amount is figured on this notice. Financial Eligibility Net Nonexempt Income Computation Name Name Name Computation of: Aid Payment Total Earned Income Standard Work Expense Disregard for _____ persons ____ Dependent Care Expense Disregard Special Needs (specify) + -----Disregard: \$30 Subtotal Net Non-exempt Income Child/Spousal Support Collected by the County Disregard: 1/3 of Subtotal Other Countable Income: ___ (for eligibility computation only) Total Grant Overpayment Adjustment (see page ____ Court Ordered Child/Spousal Support Paid Aid Payment Net Nonexempt Income Net Nonexempt Income Total (columns 1 + 2 + 3)

Regulations. This action is required by State regulations which are available for review at the county welfare department: Manual of Policies and Procedures (MPP) Section(s) Grimesy v. McMahon Court Order.

Medi-Cal: California Administrative Code Title 22, Section(s)

Child Support. The District Attorney can help you locate an absent parent, legally establish your child's paternity, and collect child support. To obtain these services, or to continue them if aid is discontinued, you must contact the District Attorney's office.

Family Planning Services. Information is available from the County Welfare Department on request.

State Hearing. If you are dissatisfied with this action, your aid may continue unchanged if you ask for a State Hearing before the effective date of the action. Read the back for important information about your right to appeal this action.

Notice of Action

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Case Name :
Case Number :
Worker :
Phone :
Date :

Description of the Action, Amount, Reason(s), Comments. Effective _____, the following action is being taken: The county has approved your cash aid. Here's why: You couldn't get cash aid before because we counted your parents' income. A new court order says as of June 24, 1986 we can count only the amount of money your parents give you and what they pay for your food, housing and utilities. When we don't count your parents' income, your income goes down and you can get cash aid. Your cash aid amount is figured on this notice. Your first month's aid amount is \$______. This amount is based on your regular monthly cash aid amount. It is less because you are not getting cash aid for the whole first month. Financial Eligibility Computation of: Net Nonexempt Income Computation Name Name Name Aid Payment Total Earned Income _____ for ____ persons _____ Standard Work Expense Disregard Special Needs (specify) + + Dependent Care Expense Disregard Disregard: \$30 Net Non-exempt Income Subtotal Child/Spousal Support Collected by the County Disregard: 1/3 of Subtotal (for eligibility computation only) Other Countable Income: Total Grant Overpayment Adjustment (see page _____) Aid Payment Court Ordered Child/Spousal Support Paid Net Nonexempt Income • Net Nonexempt Income Total (columns 1 + 2 + 3) Regulations. This action is required by State regulations which are available for review at the county welfare department:

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Manual of Policies and Procedures (MPP) Section(s) Grimesy v. McMahon Court Order.

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Case Name :
Case Number :
Worker :
Phone :
Date :

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Case Name :
Case Number :
Worker :
Phone :
Date :

Description of the Action, Amount, Reason(s), Comments. Effective, the following action is being taken.
The county owes you money.
Here's why:
We counted your parents' income in A new court order says as of July 1, 1986 we can count only the amount of money your parents give you and what they pay for your food, housing and utilities.
When we don't count your parents' income, your income goes down and your cash aid amount goes up.
We will pay back the amount taken out of your cash aid in We owe you \$
☐ A check is enclosed.
A check will be sent soon.
Regulations. This action is required by State regulations which are available for review at the county welfare department: Manual of Policies and Procedures (MPP) Section(s) <u>Grimesy v. McMahon Court Order.</u>
Medi-Cal — California Administrative Code Title 22, Section(s)

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GRIMESY 4 (7- 86) Underpayment

this action.

Notice of Action

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Case Name
Case Number
Worker
Phone
Date

Description of the Action, Amount, Reason(s), Comments. Effective ____ _____, the following action is being taken: The county is stopping your cash aid. Here's why: You can't get cash aid if your family's monthly gross income is more than 185% of the need standard set by the state. You are a parent fiving with your parent or legal guardian and are either under 18 or are 18, going to school and expecting to finish before age 19. Since you are a minor parent, some of your parent's or legal guardian's income is counted to figure your cash aid. When we count part of their income, your total income goes over the limit. We figured your parent's or legal guardian's income on the next page. Your needs and income are shown on this notice. Financial Eligibility Computation of Net Nonexempt Income Computation Name Name Aid Payment Total Farned Income _____ for _____ persons __ Standard Work Expense Disregard Special Needs (specify) _____ Dependent Care Expense Disregard Disregard: \$30 Net Non-exempt Income Subtotal Child. Spousal Support Collected by the County Disregard: 1/3 of Subtotal (for eligibility computation only) Other Countable Income: Total Grant Overpayment Adjustment (see page ____) Aid Payment Court Ordered Child/Spousal Support Paid Net Nonexempt Income Net Nonexempt Income Total (columns 1 + 2 + 3) Regulations. This action is required by State regulations which are available for review at the county welfare department; Manual of Policies and Procedures (MPP) Section(s) ____ 44-133.7 and 44-207.2

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M44-133M (7:86) Discontinue - Minor Parent - 185% - Non-Granesy

Medi-Cal: California Administrative Code Title 22, Section(s) ___

State of California Health and Welfare Agency

Notice of Action

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Case Name :
Case Number :
Worker :
Phone :
Date :

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44-133.7 and 44-207.2

M44 133N (7-86) Suspend - Mirror Parent -- 185% -- Non-Grimesy

Policies and Procedures (MPP) Section(s) ___

Medi-Cal: California Administrative Code Title 22, Section(s)

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M444-133 () (7-86) Discontinue → Minor Parent → F.E. → Non-Grimesy

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Case Name
Case Number
Worker
Phone
Date

Description of the Action, Amount, Reason(s), Comments. Effective ______, the following action is being taken: The county is stopping your cash aid for the month of _____ Here's why: You can't get cash aid if your family's net countable income is more than the need standard set by the state. You are a parent living with your parent or legal guardian and are either under 18 or are 18, going to school and expecting to finish before age Since you are a minor parent, some of your parent's or legal guardian's income is counted to figure your cash aid. When we count part of their income, your total income goes over the limit. You may get cash aid again if your gross income goes below the 185% limit. For us to know this, you must turn in a complete Monthly Eligibility Report (CA7) during the month your aid is stopped. We figured your parent's or legal guardian's income on the next page. Your needs and income are shown on this notice. Financial Eligibility Computation of: Net Nonexempt Income Computation Name Name Name Aid Payment Total Earned Income Standard Work Expense Disregard ___ for _____ persons __ Special Needs (specify) ___ Dependent Care Expense Disregard Disregard: \$30 Subtotal Net Non-exempt Income Child/Spousal Support Collected by the County Disregard: 1/3 of Subtotal (for eligibility computation only) Other Countable Income: ___ Total Grant Overpayment Adjustment (see page _____) Court Ordered Child/Spousal Support Paid Aid Payment Net Nonexempt Income • Net Nonexempt Income Total (columns 1 + 2 + 3) Regulations. This action is required by State regulations which are available for review at the county welfare department: Manual of Policies and Procedures (MPP) Section(s) 44-133.7 and 44-207.3

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Case Name : Case Number : Worker : Phone : Date

Description of the Action, Amount, Reason(s), Co	mments. Effective, the following	g action is being taken:
The county is changing your cash aid from \$	to \$	
Here's why:		
The amount of money your parent or legal guardian co	ould give you has changed. With this money, your incom	ne and cash aid amount changes.
You are a parent living with your parent or legal guard 19.	lian and are either under 18 or are 18, going to school a	nd expecting to finish before age
Since you are a minor parent, some of your parent's or your income also changes.	r legal guardian's income is counted to figure your cash :	aid. When their income changes,
We figured your parent's or legal guardian's income	on the next page.	
Your needs and income are shown on this notice.		
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M44-1330 (7/86) Change — Minor Parent Income — Non-Grimesy

Medi-Cal: California Administrative Code Title 22, Section(s)

Complete the blanks to show the date the adjustment will stop and the old and new grant amounts.

If grant adjustments have been made, check the first box at the bottom and indicate the amount of the underpayment and fill in the month(s) of adjustment. Check the appropriate box indicating when the underpayment will be sent.

4. GRIMESY 4 - UNDERPAYMENT

Use to refund grant reductions that have been made since July 1, 1986 due to the deeming of senior parent income.

Fill in the month(s) that the deeming of senior parent income occurred.

Fill in the month(s) cash aid was reduced, the total amount owed the case and check the appropriate box indicating when the underpayment will be refunded.

5. M44-133M - DISCONTINUE - Minor Parent - 185% - Non-Grimesy

Use to discontinue non-Grimesy cases (minor parent is under 18 or is 18 and meets the school attendance rule) when the deemed senior parent income causes the minor parent's income to exceed 185%.

This message replaces M44-133M(1/85).

Use M44-133L as a second page.

6. M44-133N - SUSPEND - Minor Parent - 185% - Non-Grimesy

Use to suspend non-Grimesy cases (minor parent is under 18 or is 18 and meets the school attendance rule) when the deemed senior parent income causes the minor parent's income to exceed 185% for only one month.

This message replaces M44-133N(1/85).

Use M44-133L as a second page.

7. M44-133-0 - DISCONTINUE - Minor Parent - F.E. - Non-Grimesy

Use to discontinue non-Grimesy cases (minor parent is under 18 or is 18 and meets the school attendance rule) when the deemed senior parent income causes the minor parent's income to exceed MBSAC.

This message replaces M44-133-O(1/85).

Use M44-133L as a second page.

8. M44-133P - ZBG - Minor Parent - F.E. - Non-Grimesy

Use to ZBG non-Grimesy cases (minor parent is under 18 or is 18 and meets the school attendance rule) when the deemed senior parent income causes the minor parent's income to exceed MBSAC for only one month.

This message replaces M44-133P(1/85).

Use M44-133L as a second page.

9. M44-133Q - CHANGE - Minor Parent Income - Non-Grimesy

Use to change the amount in non-Grimesy cases (minor parent is under 18 or is 18 and meets the school attendance rule) when a change in the deemed senior parent income causes the minor parent's income to change.

Use M44-133L as a second page.

State of California Health and Welfare Agency

Department of Social Services

<u>Grimesy</u> v. <u>McMahon</u> Compliance Reporting Form

I certify that as of September 15, 1986, the activities identified below represent a true and accurate description of _____County's effort to comply with the $\underline{\texttt{Grimesy}}$ v. $\underline{\texttt{McMahon}}$ Court Order.

Note: Check the item(s) which best reflect your progress to date in complying with the above referenced court order.

Д. А.	issued instructions/procedures to county staff.
8.	Identifying affected cases.
C.	Identified affected cases.
D.	Reviewing affected cases.
Ē.	Reviewed affected cases.
· Canada van van	Processing grant adjustments.
<u> </u>	Mailed Notices of Action.
———— H.	Issued benefits.
Name/Title	
Date	
Signature	

Return completed form to:

Department of Social Services AFDC/FS Policy Implementation Bureau 744 P Street, M.S. 16-31 Sacramento, CA 95814

Attention: Jim Mullany (916) 324-2661